

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Previously presented) A method of increasing the available storage space on an electronic storage medium comprising the steps of:

    creating and storing in a memory a free memory list for the electronic storage medium, selecting a first portion of a file stored on the electronic storage medium; and

    copying the selected first portion of the file to the free memory list without copying a second portion of the file and leaving a deallocated portion of memory corresponding to the first portion.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the file is an audio file or a video file.

3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the selecting the first portion of the file stored on the electronic storage medium creates a plurality of file segments.

4. (Original) The method of claim 3 further comprising the step of linking the plurality of file segments together.

5. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein the file is a video file.

6. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein the electronic storage medium is a memory of a personal video recorder.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the electronic storage medium is a memory of a personal video recorder.

8-16. (Cancelled)